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Report from Chair of Peer Review Panel on Delta Protection Commission Economic Sustainability Plan

Summary: Dr. Robert Gilbert, Panel Chair, will present a summary of the independent peer review panel report on the Delta Protection Commission Economic Sustainability Plan.

At the request of the Executive Officers of the Delta Stewardship Council and Delta Protection Commission (DPC), the Delta Science Program convened an Independent Science Review Panel on November 1-2, 2011 to review the October 10, 2011 draft of the Delta Protection Commission Economic Sustainability Plan for the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta (ESP).

The Delta Reform Act tasked the DPC with developing an Economic Sustainability Plan that includes information and recommendations to inform the Delta Stewardship Council's policies regarding the socioeconomic sustainability of the Delta region. The goal of this independent peer review was to assess the scientific and technical quality of the Economic Sustainability Plan and to make recommendations for how the plan might be improved with respect to achieving stated goals.

Attached are the transmittal letter from Lead Scientist Cliff Dahm, the independent review panel report, and a response from DPC Chair Mike Machado and ESP principal investigator Jeff Michael.

For additional information about the review visit: http://deltacouncil.ca.gov/event-detail/4120

List of Attachments

Attachment 1: Transmittal Letter from Dr. Cliff Dahm to the DSC and DPC Attachment 2: Independent Panel Review of the ESP (December 2, 2011)

Attachment 3: Response from DPC Chair Michael Machado and Dr. Jeffrey A. Michael,

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